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C O N F I D E N T I A L DAR ES SALAAM 3006

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: NAVAL CONTROL OF SHIPPING EXERCISE

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1. EMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM AND OTHER INDIAN OCEAN POSTS RECEIVED GUIDANCE VIA REFTEL ON PARTICIPATION ISCANADIAN/US NAVAL CONTROL OF SHIPPING (NCS) EXERCISE BELL BUOY SCHEDULED FOR MAY 1979. REFTEL STATED INTEREST IN ASSIGNING ONE NAVAL RESERVE OFFICER AND ONE ENLISTED MAN AT POSTS TO HELP OVERCOM DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED DURING PAST NCS EXERCISES. (DAR ES SALAAM 1510 NOTAL CITES DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED BY THIS POST DURING MOST RECENT NCS EXERCISE.) REFTEL ALSO REQUESTED INFORMATION ABOUT PORT OF DAR ES SALAAM.

2. REFTEL DOES NOT INDICATE WHETHER DEPARTMENT IS AWARE OF NCS EXERCISE REQUIREMENTS. EMBASSY HAS FOUND THAT, EVEN TO THE LIMITED EXTENT THAT IT IS EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE, NCS EXERCISES ARE A TIME-CONSUMING BURDEN NOT RELATED TO STATED MISSION OBJECTIVES. EMBASSY WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE QUIDANCE ON PRIORITY IT SHOULD ASSIGN TO FUTURE PARTICIPATION.

3. CURRENT COMIDEASTFOR PROJECT PRESENTS US WITH ADDITIONAL DIFFICULTIES. FIRST, TANGOV WOULD NOT APPROVE OF TEMPORARY
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ASSIGNMENT OF US MILITARY PERSONNEL TO PARTICIPATE IN MILITARY EXERCISE. INDEED, EMBASSY WOULD PROVOKE OFFICIAL IRRITATION BY EVEN PROPOSING IDEA. MOREOVER, BENEFITS OF EXERCISE DO NOT APPEAR TO US TO WARRANT RISK ENTAILED IN TRYING TO HIDE IDENTITY OF MILITARY PERSONNEL. FINALLY, EMBASSY DOES NOT HAVE CAPABILITY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT DAR ES SALAAM PORT FROM ITS OWN RESOURCES. IF WE WERE TO SEEK ANSWERS FROM LOCAL AUTHORITIES,

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SERIOUS TANGOV SUSPICIONS ABOUT US MOTIVES IN TANZANIA COULD BE
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